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House Bill 2139

(BY DELEGATE CAPUTO)

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to the Committee on the Judiciary then Finance.]

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A BILL to amend and reenact §11A-1-3 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to allowing quarterly payment of real and personal property taxes.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

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ARTICLE 1. ACCRUAL AND COLLECTION OF TAXES.

§11A-1-3. Accrual; time for payment; interest on delinquent taxes.

(a) All current taxes assessed on real and personal property may be paid in two installments. The first installment shall be is payable on September 1 of the year for which the assessment is made and shall become becomes delinquent on October 1; the second installment shall be is payable on the first day of the following March 1 and shall become becomes delinquent on April 1. Taxes paid on or before the date when they are payable, including both first and second installments or quarterly installments, shall be are subject to a discount of two and onehalf percent. If taxes are not paid on or before the date on which they become delinquent, including both first and second installments or quarterly installments, interest at the rate of nine percent per annum shall be added from the date they become delinquent until paid. Beginning July 1, 2019, current taxes assessed on real and personal property may be paid in quarterly installments: (1) The first quarterly installment is payable on September 1 of the year for which the assessment is made and becomes delinquent on October 1; (2) the second quarterly installment is payable on the following January 1 and becomes delinquent on February 1; (3) the third installment is payable on the following March 1 and becomes delinquent on April 1; and (4) the fourth installment is payable on the following August 1 and becomes delinquent on September <u>1.</u>

(b) With regard to real and personal property taxes, when any return, claim, statement or other document is required to be filed or any payment is required to be made within a prescribed period or before a prescribed date and the applicable law requires delivery to the office of the sheriff of a county of this state, the methods prescribed in §11-10-5f of this code for timely filing

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21 and payment to the Tax Commissioner or Department of tax and Revenue shall be the same

22 methods utilized used for timely filing and payment with such the sheriff. Nothing contained in this

subsection (b) shall prohibit prohibits the sheriff from establishing additional methods of payment

in accordance with the provisions of section eight-a of this article.

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NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to allow quarterly payment of real and personal property taxes.

Strike-throughs indicate language that would be stricken from a heading or the present law, and underscoring indicates new language that would be added.